

Nawas International

THE HOLY LAND

visiting

Haifa • Tiberias • Nazareth
Bethlehem • Jerusalem

hosted by

Fr. John Vakulskas

10 Days: January 19 - 28, 2010

\$2599 from Chicago



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Dear Friends,

A journey to the Holy Land is a spiritual Pilgrimage that every Christian should make at least once in a lifetime. There the Bible comes alive with names and events we have been hearing about all our lives. It brings a new richness as we walk where Jesus walked in Jerusalem and visit such awe-inspiring points of spiritual interest

as the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, Mt. Zion, and the Upper Room.

We'll also visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the Shepherd's Field, Nazareth and Masada. Add to that the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, the Mt. of Beatitudes, the site of the Sermon on the Mount, Tabgha, the site of the Miracle of Loaves and Fishes and much more! And to share this spiritual experience with other Christians is an even more enriching deed. It creates a unique fellowship. It is a journey that is to be treasured forever.

Thousands of tourists are flocking to the Holy Land again. Now is the time to make this dream, this "trip of a lifetime" a reality for you. Of the many countries we have visited over the years, only one leaves such an emotional and spiritual impact on us...the Holy Land!!

We invite you to join our group on this inspiring adventure. Please send your registration and deposit back to us as soon as possible to secure a place on this tour.

Sincerely,

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TOUR FEATURES

- Roundtrip airfare from Chicago.
- Accommodations in First Class hotels.
- Breakfast and dinner daily.
- Services of English speaking guides.
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout.
- Automatic \$100,000 flight insurance.*
- All service charges and local taxes.

*Subject to policy terms and limitations.

YOUR DAY-TO-DAY ITINERARY

TUE, JAN 19 – CHICAGO/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Begin your exciting journey as you depart Chicago on board your overnight transatlantic flight to the Holy Land.

WED, JAN 20 – ARRIVE TEL AVIV

Arrive Tel Aviv today where you will be met and escorted to your waiting motorcoach for the transfer to your hotel in the Tel Aviv area. Your exciting journey to the Land of the Bible begins. (D)

THU, JAN 21 – TEL AVIV/CAESAREA/HAIFA/TIBERIAS

Drive north today to Caesarea to view the ruins of the Crusaders's fortress and moat and sit in the great Roman amphitheatre. Continuing along the coast, you will see the aqueduct that carried water from Mt. Carmel to Caesarea. On to Megiddo located on the Plain of Esdraelon. Visit the museum, ruins of the city and Solomon's Stables. Continue to Haifa where you will ascend Mt. Carmel for a magnificent view of the sea and harbor. See the Carmelite Monastery and Elijah's Cave as well as the Bahai Temple with its lovely Persian Gardens. Proceed to Tiberias for the night. (B,D)

FRI, JAN 22 – TIBERIAS

Today, cross the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, center of Jesus' Ministry in the Galilee. Visit the ruins of the Second Century Synagogue. Continue to Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Then on to the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus preached the famous Sermon on the Mount and chose the Twelve Apostles. Return to Tiberias for the night. (B,D)

SAT, JAN 23 – TIBERIAS/CANA/NAZARETH/JERUSALEM

Depart today via Tabgha and Magdala to Cana, site of Jesus' first miracle of turning water into wine. Proceed to Nazareth, the boyhood home of Jesus. Here you will visit the Church of the Annunciation and the winding streets of the old city. Proceed via the Jordan Valley and Beit Shean to Jerusalem and your hotel. (B,D)

SUN, JAN 24 – JERUSALEM

This morning proceed on a walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem. Enter St. Stephen's Gate. Visit St. Anne's Church and the Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the crippled man. Continue to the Temple Area. See the Dome of the Rock, the El Aqsa Mosque and the Wailing Wall. Exit via the Dung Gate to St. Peter's in Gallicantu. View the Valley of Gehenna and the Pool of Siloam.

This afternoon enter Herod's Gate to the Roman Praetorium, beneath the Sisters of Zion Convent, and the Ecce Homo Arch. Follow in the footsteps of Jesus as you walk the Via Dolorosa, the traditional way of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Leave the Old City through the Damascus Gate. End your inspiring visit at the Garden Tomb, believed by many to be Golgotha. (B,D)

MON, JAN 25 – JERUSALEM

Drive to the top of the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of Jerusalem. Visit the Chapel of the Ascension and the Church of Pater Noster. Descend the Mt. of Olives to the Garden of Gethsemane and walk along the ancient olive trees, viewing the Kidron Valley. Visit the Church of All Nations on the Rock of Agony. Ascend Mount Zion to see the Upper Room, traditional site of the Last Supper. Drive to Bethlehem. Visit the Church of the Nativity. See the Manger where Jesus was born and Shepherd's Field. Time to shop for wood carvings before returning to Jerusalem. (B,D)

TUE, JAN 26 – JERUSALEM

This morning we drive to Bethany to visit Lazarus' Tomb and the village of Mary and Martha. Then on to Biblical Jericho, believed to be the oldest city in the world. View Elisha's Spring and the Mount of Temptations. Continue to the Dead Sea, 1288 feet below sea level, site of ancient Sodom and Gomorrah. Stop at the Caves of Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered and visit the excavations. On the east side of the Dead Sea are the Moab Mountains and Mt. Nebo where Moses viewed the Promised Land. Continue to the citadel stronghold of Masada. Ascend by cable car to the fortress where 967 Zealots made their last stand against Rome in 73 AD. (B,D)

WED, JAN 27 – JERUSALEM

Today the day is at leisure for shopping and exploring the city on your own. (B,D)

THU, JAN 28 – JERUSALEM/TEL AVIV/CHICAGO

Your exciting adventure in the Holy Land is over as you transfer to the airport to board your flight back to Chicago, arriving the same day. (B)

B=Breakfast

D=Dinner

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RESERVATION FORM

Please read the all-inclusive tour features and conditions. Then complete this handy form. Book early!

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

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Accommodation Desired:

- double room sharing with.....
- single room (\$650 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$.....as deposit

(\$400 per person) for.....persons

Passenger #1:

Name(Mr.,Mrs.,Ms.).....

(First and last name as shown on passport)

Address.....

City.....State.....Zip.....

Email.....

Home Phone.....Work Phone.....

Passport #.....

Date of Issue.....Date Expires.....

Date of Birth.....Country of
Citizenship.....

Place of Birth.....
(city/state)

Passenger #2:

Name(Mr.,Mrs.,Ms.).....

(First and last name as shown on passport)

Address.....

City.....State.....Zip.....

Email.....

Home Phone.....Work Phone.....

Passport #.....

Date of Issue.....Date Expires.....

Date of Birth.....Country of
Citizenship.....

Place of Birth.....
(city/state)

A word about NAWAS . . .

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL has pioneered Christian Tours to the far corners of the world for over 59 years. We offer you the essential ingredients for a successful tour.

EXPERIENCE: There is no substitute for 59 years of planning tours. Our contacts, guides, knowledge of the area, and background guarantee you the highest quality service at affordable prices.

RELIABILITY: In 59 years, we have won an international reputation for reliability. We deliver what we promise. And that is essential for a successful trip.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit of \$400 per person. No reservation is considered firm until deposit has been received. Final payment should reach Nawas Travel 100 days prior to departure.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S.A. passport valid for 6 months after date of re-entry into the U.S.A. is required. (Non-U.S.A. citizens may require visas in addition to a valid passport). It is the responsibility of each passenger to check with the respective consulate(s) of the countries to be visited or a visa agency to determine whether they have the proper visa/travel documents for their tour.

THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES A DISCOUNT FOR CASH PAYMENT AND:

AIR TRANSPORTATION: By any IATAN/ARC jet carrier in economy class based on non-refundable bulk group fares. Airlines reserve the right to impose full cancellation penalties. All deviation requests from the group itinerary must be received at Nawas in writing no later than 100 days prior to departure. A \$100 fee per person will be charged on all deviations in addition to any extra airfare that may be incurred. We strongly recommend all tour members retain both their ticket receipts and boarding passes as copies of same cannot be provided. Airline tickets must bear your first and last name as it appears on your passport.

FLIGHT INSURANCE: AUTOMATIC ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FLIGHT INSURANCE POLICY FOR EACH NAWAS-TICKETED PASSENGER, SUBJECT TO POLICY TERMS AND LIMITATIONS.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION: By deluxe motorcoach.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Accommodations are at first class hotels based on 2 persons sharing a twin-bedded room with private bath. Nawas cannot guarantee roommates. A person taking a single room (subject to availability) must pay a supplement of \$650 per person.

MEALS: Breakfast and dinner daily.

SIGHTSEEING: As specified in the itinerary using motorcoach transportation or other conveyances as required. Entrance fees and the services of local English-speaking guides are included.

TRANSFERS: Assistance and transfers from airports to hotels, piers and vice versa in private motorcoach.

SERVICE CHARGES AND TAXES: Service charges and taxes normally included in bills, government taxes on hotel bills, taxes on sightseeing and excursion trips and portage of one normal-size suitcase (maximum weight 50 lbs.).

BAGGAGE: Allowed free of charge to your first overseas destination and from most points of return to the U.S.A.: a maximum of one bag per person with a combined length, width and height of 62 inches plus "underseat" baggage, with total dimensions of 45 inches. Beyond the first overseas stopover point, as well as from some points of return to the U.S.A., a free weight allowance of up to 50 lbs. applies. Excess baggage will be charged by the airlines at the rates they have established. Maximum care will be taken to safeguard baggage, but Nawas Travel accepts no liability for loss or damage. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon request.

TRAVELERS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Disabled travelers requiring special attention or care must advise NAWAS in writing at the time of reservation. A physically able companion must accompany any person who needs special assistance. Tour directors, guides, drivers or other tour, hotel or ship personnel are not able to provide such assistance. NAWAS is not responsible for any denial of services to the disabled participant by air carriers, cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers. Certain countries/destinations can involve extensive walking. Be aware that outside the

U.S. the Americans with Disabilities Act is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. NAWAS is not responsible for any passenger requiring special medical equipment.

CANCELLATIONS: For written cancellations received by Nawas Travel up to September 18, 2009, refunds will be made less a \$200 per person administrative fee. From September 19, 2009 to 70 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a \$400 per person cancellation fee. From 69 to 30 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to 50% cancellations fee of the total tour price per person. From 29 days a 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. Airline tickets are not refundable once issued. Failure to receive final payment by the due date may result in the cancellation of your reservation and the forfeiture of your deposit. All payments for travel services not provided to the passenger shall be promptly refunded, in accordance with Nawas General Conditions, unless the passenger otherwise instructs Nawas in writing. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance to allow for any unexpected medical emergency. Trip cancellation insurance is available upon written request.

THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

U.S. taxes, Tel Aviv arrival/departure taxes, any other overseas airport/government taxes, airline security fees/surcharges (estimated taxes/fuel surcharges \$400 to \$475 per person), passport fees, visa fees (if any), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to escort, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The international airfare used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on October 16, 2008. Airlines reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any increase imposed by the airlines. Airlines require a minimum of 10 persons for each itinerary routing.

Land costs are based on a minimum of 32 participants on the tour, 2009 land rates, overseas government taxes and the value of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar as of October 16, 2008. The right is reserved to adjust the tour cost due to land/tariff increases, fluctuations in exchange rates or if the group drops below the minimum number of participants as stated above. Any increases that may subsequently occur will be collected from each passenger prior to departure. Please note that healthcare/medical costs outside the U.S.A. are not covered by Medicare and many private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel.

Please read the enclosed disclosure required by the Sellers of Travel Act before booking.

RESPONSIBILITY: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE, INC. (NAWAS), and their agents act only in the capacity of agents in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and transportation, whether by railroad, motorcoach, car, steamship, boat, air or any other means. Except for the willful negligence of its direct employees, NAWAS is not liable for any damage, loss (including but not limited to personal injury, loss of enjoyment, distress, death any property loss), expense or inconvenience caused by any act or omission of any supplier providing tour services or by any other person or reason whatsoever or by any delays or changes in the itinerary, or the acts and omissions of the tour leader. NAWAS reserves the right to cancel the tour at any time, to operate the tour without a tour host/leader or with a substitute tour host/leader at any time, to decline or retain any person as a member of the tour for any cause at any time, or to make changes in the published itinerary whenever in their sole judgement conditions warrant, or if they deem it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the tour. All prices are based on current rates of exchange and while every effort will be made to hold them firm, they are subject to change. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the purchasers of this tour and/or passengers. The services of any IATAN/ARC air carrier may be used in connection with the tour.

Payment of deposits by tour participants indicates acceptance of the above terms and General Conditions. The venue for any dispute is Fairfield County, Connecticut. The laws of the state of Connecticut will apply.

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